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SUBJECT:VISIT OF PROFESSOR SAMUEL SEY

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1. DEPT MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE PROFESSOR SEY CALL ON
USDA ASSISTANT SECRETARY CLAYTON YEUTTER, MAY 8. FOL-
LOWING VISIT TO AGRICULTURE SEY, ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR
QUARM, CALLED ON ASSISTANT SECRETARY BUFFUM IO.

2. ALTHOUGH GHANA EMBASSY HAD INDICATED SEY WOULD DELIVER
LETTER FOR PRESIDENT FORD, REFTEL A, NEITHER HE NOR
AMBASSADOR MADE ANY ATTEMPT TO DO SO. INSTEAD, MEETING
WITH AMB. BUFFUM DEVOTED TO DISCUSSION OF CANDIDATES FOR
FAO POSITION. FYI. PROF SEY DID NOT TAKE STRONG INITIATIVE
IN RAISING HIS CANDIDACY, BUT WAS FORCEFUL ADVOCATE ONCE
SUBJECT WAS RAISED. END FYI.

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3. SEY NOTED THAT NIGERIA ALSO ACTIVELY SEEKING POST OF

DIRECTOR GENERAL. HE COMMENTED, HOWEVER, THAT SINCE OAU
WILL SUPPORT ONLY ONE CANDIDATE FROM AFRICAN REGION, THE
CANDIDATE NOT RECEIVING OAU SUPPORT WOULD PROBABLY WITH-

DRAW FROM CAMPAIGN. HE BELIEVES THE OAU MAY SELECT ITS
CANDIDATE DURING ITS JULY MEETING. INGERSOLL

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